UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF AIRCRAFT SERVICES

SAFETY ALERT

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Subject: Airspace Deconfliction with Military Training Routes

Distribution: All DOI Aviation Activities

Discussion: URGENT - Attn Aircraft Dispatchers - After hours coverage for airspace deconfliction at Offut AFB is not available, please share this information with all aviation personnel involved in airspace coordination.

Air Combat Command has cancelled airspace scheduling coverage at Offict AFB for evenings and weekends. THIS WILL HAVE A SEVERE IMPACT ON ANYONE TRIVING TO DECONFICT AIRSPACE ASSIGNED TO OFFILT AIRS FORCE BASE scheduling activity. The scheduling activity at Offict will be closing at 4:30 Central Time Monday-Friday. No one will be coordinating deconfliction of the following routes for evening or weekend during.

The following MTRs are scheduled at Offut AFB as per the AP1/B FLIP publication.

IR Routes:

102, 110, 115, 116, 122, 123, 124, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 139, 141, 150, 160, 161, 165, 174, 177, 178, 180, 266, 276, 279, 285, 286, 290, 2903, 293, 903, 130, 204, 294, 379, 480, 484, 485, 490, 492, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 524, 592, 609, 610, 644, 649, 678, 802, 803, 804, 805, 910, 920, 925

VR Routes

101, 106, 1110, 1124, 1128, 1137, 137, 1406, 143, 186, 187, 188, 222

SR Routes:

SR 301, 311, 353, 359, 381, 398

The military is switching to a new scheduling system on October 1 and new protocols for after hour coverages should improve at that time. Updates will be sent out if the situation improves.

Recommendation: If you have aviation activity on any MTRs involving Offut AFB, you should consider placing a TFR through the FAA, as you will have no point of contact for deconfliction information after hours or on the weekend.

WHAT THIS MEANS: The potential for an airspace conflict with mid-air collision potential will increase during these periods. As always, see and avoid is the standard.

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